## AN ORDINANCE BY

BY COUNCILMEMBER MICHAEL JULIAN BOND

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF A PARK AND RECREATION FOUNDATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAINTAINING AND GROWING THE CITY'S PARKS SYSTEM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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WHEREAS, parkland is becoming a precious commodity in the City of Atlanta with the explosive growth the region is experiencing; and

WHEREAS, the inability of the city to purchase additional parkland at today's prices is becoming a serious concern for the citizens and City leaders; and

WHEREAS, the lack of funding within the Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs' operating and capital budgets does not afford it the opportunity to purchase additional parkland; and

WHEREAS, the creation of a foundation would give the city a mechanism to accept and solicit funds and donations from public and private donors as well as to apply for other foundation grants for park purposes in an effort to assist the City of Atlanta in restocking its parkland; and

WHEREAS, other jurisdictions are following strategic plans to enhance their parkland through management and growth with the assistance of taxpayers through bond referendums; and

WHEREAS, additional parkland has not been purchased by the City of Atlanta since the Combined Sewer Overflow facility was built at Clear Creek; and

WHEREAS, improvements to existing parks and facilities, purchasing and accepting additional parkland for the citizens of the City of Atlanta would assist the city further in becoming an environmentally friendly city.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA; as follows:

<u>SECTION 1:</u> That a Park and Recreation Foundation is established with the assistance of the Departments of Law, Finance, Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs and Planning, Development & Neighborhood Conservation.

**SECTION 2**: That all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are and the same is hereby repealed.

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